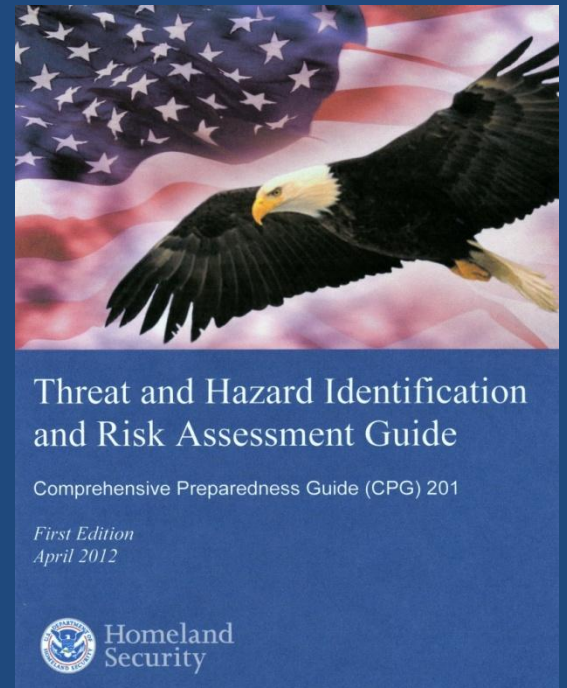


# State Coordinator's Briefing: Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and State Preparedness Report (SPR)

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# THIRA/SPR

- The THIRA is an annual, FEMA mandated **self-evaluative risk assessment process** designed to identify significant event **Core Capability impacts**, the ability of the State to meet these needs, and the **desired State level for the Core Capability**
- It is used to establish the base and desired State values for Core Capabilities to be uploaded in the **State Preparedness Report (SPR)**.

# THIRA Tasking

*(Brett's Simplified Interpretation)*

*Essentially, Virginia needs to identify at least one hazard scenario to evaluate each of the 31 Core Capabilities (the maximum impact); identify any Gaps between where we are and where we want to be; and tell FEMA how we intend use future grant funds to close the Gaps.*

# Feedback on 2012 THIRA

- Virginia's THIRA generally well received
- FEMA received different THIRAs from VA, MD, DC, and NCR
- FEMA learned from THIRA process

# THIRA Steps

## 1. *Identify Threats and Hazards of Concern*

- What types of natural, technological, and human caused events threaten the Commonwealth and its jurisdictions?

## 2. *Give Threats and Hazards Context*

- How would the event impact the Commonwealth, the jurisdictions, and under what conditions?

## 3. *Examine Core Capabilities Using Threats and Hazards*

- What is the capacity of the Commonwealth and its jurisdictions to meet the needs of the event (where we are)?

## 4. *Set Capability Targets*

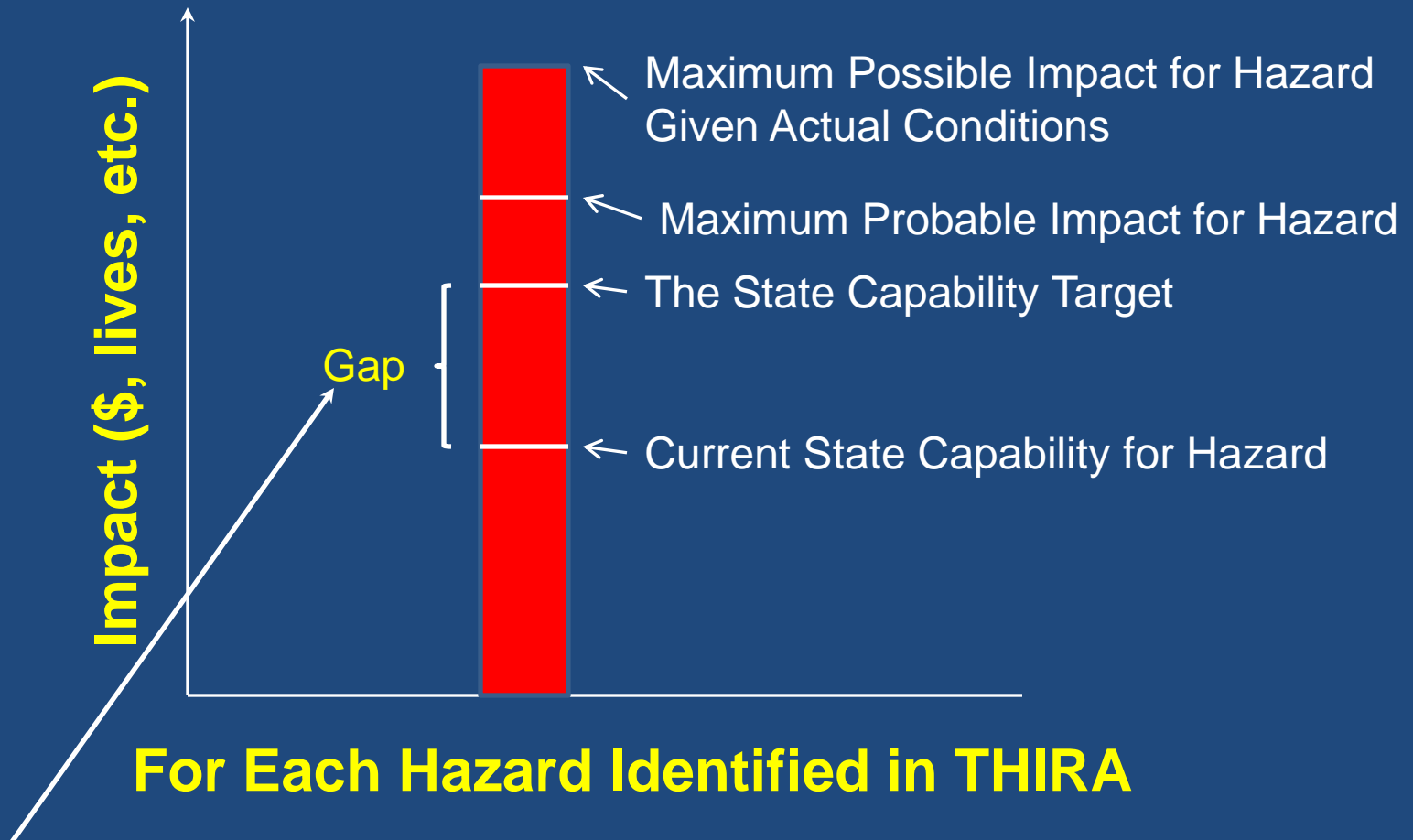
- What is the desired outcome (where we want to be)?

## 5. *Apply the Results*

- Figure out how to proceed from where we are.

# THIRA/SPR

- Considerations:
  - A State capability target is evaluated **for the State** and **should not consider federal or EMAC assistance**.
  - It is understood that 100% capacity for every capability cannot happen but how close to that 100% do you want to get?
  - State Capability should include MOUs, contracts in place, existing plans and SOPs, “static” capabilities
  - **“State Capability Target minus State Capability = *the Gap*”** that the State wishes to address and reduce through whatever mechanism it can.



*The THIRA describes how we will close this Gap and how we intend to improve State Capability through future grants.*

# 2013 THIRA/SPR Update

- Updated guidance for 2013 – FEMA has a better idea of what they want
- Required for states, territories, tribes, UASIs, and DC
- THIRA is directly tied to funding:
  - Eligibility – “*No THIRA, No Grants!*”
  - Grant funding targeted to address the gaps identified in the THIRA

# 2013 THIRA/SPR Update

- Must be updated every year:
  - Scenario driven
  - More detail; need to identify specific plans and SOPs
  - Incorporate both state agency and locality inputs
  - Coordinate with adjacent states and NCR
    - Catastrophes will cross borders
    - Resources will be limited
    - Needs may be different
    - FEMA will be looking towards where resources can be acquired

Questions?